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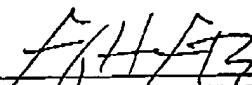
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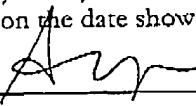
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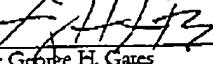
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In response to the Office Action dated March 31, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 8 and 18 as follows: